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THE STAMPS OF ROUMANIA.

(CONTINUED.)

We now come to the common types of Roumanian stamps, which begin with the issue of October, 1872. Design, head to left in pearled circle; "Romana" above; value, "Posta" and value repeated below; star in each corner; Greek border at sides and vacant space filled by vertical lines. At this time the method of printing the stamps was changed from lithography to typography, which has been in use ever since.

The Paris print of this issue is distinguished by the fine impression. The paper is tinted wove. Perf. 14x13 1-2. The values are:

1 1-2 b. Bronze green, on greenish blue paper.
3 b. Green, on greenish blue paper.
5 b. Bistre, on pale buff paper.
10 b. Blue, on bluish paper.
15 b. Red brown, on pale buff paper.
25 b. Orange, pale buff paper.
50 b. Rose, on rose paper.

The Bucharest print has a coarse impression. The color of the paper varies very much, some being almost white. Perf. 11, 13, 13 1-2 and compound. The values are:

1 1-2 b. Bronze green, (also olive green.)
5 b. Bistre.
10 b. Blue, (also ultramarine.)
15 b. Red brown.
30 b. Red.

A 5 bani blue error exists. All these values are on a pale yellowish paper, except the 1 1-2 b., which is on a pale greenish blue.

In 1879 the colors were changed to the following:

1 1-2 b. Black on light bluish paper.

3 b. Olive green, on greenish blue paper.
5 b. Green, (light and dark,) on greenish blue paper.
10 b. Rose on pale yellowish paper.
15 b. Rose red on pale yellowish paper.
25 b. Blue, on pale yellowish paper.
50 b. Bistre on pale yellowish paper.

These stamps are found Perf. 11, 11 1-2, 13 1-2 and 11 1-2x13 1-2.

In 1880, 15 b. brown, and 15 b. blue stamps of new design mad their apperance. The head is smaller. "Posta Romana" on label above figure of value in lower corners with "Bani" between. Perf. same las issue.

The stamps which appeared from 1885 to 1888 are, in the writer' mation, the prettiest issued by Roumania. Design, small head to left, surrounded by circular label on which is "Posta Romana" at top, ornaments on each side; shields with figures of values thereon in both the lower corners, overlapping the label; in centre at bottom is a label with the word "Bani" on it; a pair of wings at top; ornaments in upper corners. The following va. exist on white wove paper. Perf. 11 1-2, 13 1-2 and 11 1-2x13 1-2.

1 1-2 b. Black.
3 b. Mauve.
5 b. Green.
15 b. Red brown.
25 b. Blue.

The values to be found on tinted wove paper are:

1 1-2 b. Black on pale bluish paper.
3 b. Mauve, on pale bluish paper.
3 b. Olive green, on pale bluish paper.
5 b. Green, on pale bluish paper.
10 b. Red, on buff paper.
15 b. Red brown, on pale buff paper.
50 b. Yellow bistre, on pale buff paper.

The 1 1-2 b., 3 b. violet, 5 b. green, 10 b., 15 b., and 25 b., appeared in 1889 on thin pale yellowish paper watermarked a coat of arms.

In the 1890 issue we find a large head again, surrounded by an oval band, on which "Romania" is inscribed at top, and value in words on lower portion. Value in figures in all four corners. Paper, white wove, also

yellowish. Watermark and Perf., same as last issue. The values are:

1 1-5 b. Lilac red.
3 b. Violet.
5 b. Green.
10 b. Red brown, (also rose.)
15 b. Bistre.
25 b. Blue.
50 b. Orange.

All the values except the 10 b., rose can be found unwatermarked on thin white wove paper, slightly yellowish, and on ordinary white wove paper. The first named will be found with all perforations named above, but the last lack the 11 1-2.

On May 10, 1892, appeared the Jubilee set to celebrate 25 years' anniversary of the reign of Prince Charles. The design resembles the last quite closely, but the value is expressed in two of the corners, "bani" crowded into the others. On the lower portion surrounding the head is "Jubileul de 25 [illegible]al Domniei Regelui Carol I." Unwatermarked Perf. 11 1-2x13 1-2. The values are:

1 1-2 b. Carmine red.
15 b. Gray bistre.

Perf. 13 1-2 we have.

3 b. Violet.
5 b. Green.
10 b. Red.

In 1893 some of the regular issue, type of 1890, appeared on paper watermarked "P. R." and 1 leu and 2 lei stamps of new design, as follows: Large head to left in oval; "Romania" curved at top; value on ribbon below; shield in centre at bottom with figures of value thereon; ear of grain on each side of the oval containg head. The values are:

Pref. 11 1-2x13 1-2.

3 b. Violet.
5 b. Green.
25 b. Blue.
50 b. Orange.

Perf. 13 1-2

6 b. Green.
25 b. Light blue.
1 l. Bistre, centre rose.
2 l. Orange, centre brown, all on white wove paper.

The current issue appeared in 1894. All the stamps are similar to the 1 leu of the last issue, all varying in details, such as ornaments, position of figure of value, bands, etc. The watermark "P. R." was continued. Paper white wove. The values are:

1 1-2 b. Black.
3 b. Brown.
5 b. Blue.
10 b. Green.
15 b. Red.
25 b. Deep Violet.
50 b. Orange.

Unpaid Letter stamps were issued in 1881. Design, large figure of value in centre; "Taxa de Plata" at top on white label; "Posta" at left, and "Romana" at right side; "Bani" in label at bottom. Post horn in each corner. The values are:

2 b., 5 b., 10 b., 30 b., 50 b. and 60 b. All dark red brown on white wove paper with pale yellowish tint. Perf. 11. The 10 b. and 30 b., are also found Perf. 11 1-2. In 1886 the 10 b. and 30 b., appeared in paler color. They exist Perf. 11 1-2, 13 1-2 and 11 1-2x13 1-2.

In 1887 the color was changed to green and the paper to white wove without the tint. All values are found in this color, except the 50 b. and 60 b. All are Perf. 11 1-2x13 1-2, and all but the 2 b., are found Perf. 13 1-2 also. In 1889 a pale yellow paper was put into use. The 2 b., 5 b., 10 b., and 30 b., are found Perf. 13 1-2, and the 30 b., also Perf. 11 1-2 and 11 1-2x13 1-2. In 1890 the watermark was put into use for those stamps, the coat of arms being placed sideways. The white paper with pale yellowish tint makes its re-appearance at this time.

The following values are found Perf. 13 1-2:

5 b. Green, (also emerald green).
10 b. Green, (also emerald green).
30 b. Green, (also emerald green).
50 b. Emerald green.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

THE PHILATELIC SALMAGUNDI.

Probably my heading will appear funny to the average reader as the word "Salmagundi" is of ancient origin, and has become almost obsolete in these latter days of ours; but it struck me as expressing more aptly than any other term, the stray items and vagrant fancies usually embodied in the ambiguous terms, "notes."

Dealers throughout the country report an unusually brisk stamp trade for this season, especially in the southland With the warm weather, have boating, tennis, cycling and all the other outdoor sports tended to lure the Philatelist from his album, but southern collectors are an enthusiastic lot and do not intend to let their northern brethren reap all the good things now being offered as hot weather bargains.

Of all the year this is the best time for doing missionary work for the S. P. A. Let us see if our roll will not reach the thousand mark by autumn.

Verily the Mekeel concern are believers in revolution. Their first change was to sell Scott's catalogue instead of issuing their own, then they reduced the subscription price of the "Weekly" to 50 c. per year, then changed the price of the "Daily" from $3 to $1 per year; and now they have entered into a transaction with the Scott Co., by which all future issues of their stamp albums will be issued jointly by the two companies. In the fall they will put out a combined edition of Mekeel's "Album of the World" and Scott's "International," which will be sold for $1. They also intend issuing a new general catalogue with numbers conforming to those in the new album which they will sell for 10c.

It is with considerable amusement that ye scribe notes the somewhat caustic criticisms with which the Review Editor of the Daily Stamp Item favors the contents of the July "Dixie". "Yours Truly" comes in for an especial share of adverse criticism because in my article entitled "A New Catalogue," I dared to champion the right of any collector to decide for himself what is collectible, and to value his stamps independent of any dealer's catalogue.

Now anyone can understand why this would not be a palatable dose for such a big stamp firm as the Mekeel Co., but of course Mr. Hopkins has

tact enough to saw wood and say nothing about this part of my article; what he really attacks is the primary fact that I claim that the Cincinnati, O., 5c. local is a collectible stamp. Only Mr. Hopkins calls it the "paid 5c." There is no paid on my specimen and if there is on his he is talking about a different stamp.

Mr. H. seems to confuse the Philatelic and monied value of a stamp, for in contrast to my claim that this stamp is as collectible as a New Haven, he offers to furnish me 1000 for one-tenth the price of one New Haven. Now hold on brother, I never said a word about the price, and a stamp may very consistently be as collectible as another and yet not worth one-ten-thousandth as much. Nevertheless did I wish to pose as a speculator (which I assuredly do not) I would jump at your proposal and file with you, by wire as you suggest, an order for 50,000 or 100,000 Cincinnati local like the specimen I hold. Could you fill the order?

It was not my intention from the outset to devote so much of the "Philatelic Salmagundi" to the Rev. Ed. of the "D. S. I.", but this is not the first time Mr. Hopkins (who certainly wieldeth too able a pen to run down a contemporary), has cast aspersions on the literary quality of the DIXIE; but go it brother, the DIXIE is amply qualified to defend itself.

M. C. SPEARS.

SYSTEMATIC COLLECTING.

3. Argentine Republic.

No country offers a more attractive field to the systematic collector, than the Argentine Republic. The collector who loves the artistic side of Philately revels in the stamps of this country with their rich coloring antique designs, resembling so much a quaint o ldportrait gallery.

Argentine stamps, bearing as they do the portraits of their great statesmen and generals, correspond more closely to the stamps of the U. S. than do the emissions of any other country; which is most likely the secret of their popularity with the collectors of the United States.

There is no queerer design on any stamp than on the first issue of Argentine. Allowing for 33 1-3 to 50 per cent discount from catalogued

prices, this set of 4 and also of 5c., in 1861 can be bought for about half-a-dollar. And now I come to the worst fault of Argentine, i. e., the reprint of '78, but as the genuine stamp costs but 15c., I dont see why any one should place the reprint in his album. The three stamps issued in '64 wmked., R. A. ("Republica Argentina"), cost about $2.00 off sheets, while the same set perforated with two shades of the 5c. catalogue at $2.35. These can be had unperf. and unwmked., for only 15c.

The 8 stamps issued in '67, with their deep, rich coloring are probably the handsomest set of Argentines, and cost only $1.25. The 5c. rouletted however, catalogues at $3.25; while the remainder of this set are worth about 25c. Then follow some surcharges which are a little steep, so passing over them, we come to the 2c., 8c., and 25c., of 1877 which set costs about 15c.

Here Argentine varies from her portraits to her well known "letter, wealth, and rising sun" design, as some Philatelic wag has called it. The two sets,—three struck from the old, three from the new plates,—cost about 15c., net.

In '84 the old 10c. and 24c., blue were issued perforated, and then followed a lot of surcharges which the systematic collector will do well to omit The first issue of 1888, consisting of 13 fine specimens, make a splendid show in one's album, and can be bought for $1.25. The other output of '88-90, consisting of 13 specimens with three varieties of the 1c., brown and two of the 5c., red, can be bought for about half-a-dollar. The five long stamps issued in 1891 catalogue high and are hard to obtain, but make showy specimens.

The 13 stamps of the '92 issue cost about 75c., while the two Columbians issued in October of the same year, one light, one dark blue, are both beatifully engraved and cost but 40 cents each.

The entire lot of fiscal stamps can easily be omitted by the general collector as they come high and are nothing but the former issues surcharged.

On the other hand the envelopes and wrappers of Argentine are of bold design and bright coloring. It is, however, somewhat difficult to obtain them in a used condition and otherwise they are hardly as SOLID as could be desired.

To the average collector Argentine Republic seems a large country to tackle and for this reason I have given the above prosy summary of issues and prices to show that, ommitting a few surcharges and varieties of perf., a fine collection of these splendid stamps can be formed at a very small outlay. Moreover in conjunction with their Philatelic value, there are few foreign stamps affording so safe an investment as the better stamps of this country.

M. CHAPMAN SPEARS.

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Messrs. Hart and Ruehlman announce the Minnesota Stamp to appear shortly.

Beginning with the September No. the Home Worker will be known as the "Philatelic Tennesseean." Here's luck to you Brother Galyon.

We are a little behind time this month. The editor has been taking a two weeks vacation in the country and asks to be excused, promising to be more prompt in the future.

The Rocky Mountain Stamp for July is printed in red and blue on white paper, having an engraving of Loch Ivanhoe on its front cover.

Mr. J. P. Simpson writes us that his town had a fire a few weeks ago and his house was destroyed along with several others. Mr. Simpson has our sympathy.

The Southern Philatelic Association is enjoying a steady growth notwithstanding the intense warm weather and the resignation of one or two of its officers. The newly appointed officers are all good men and are an honor to any society Are you a member?.

We would call the attention of Philatelical Literature collectors to the auction sale in this issue. All papers are in fine condition and some are very desirable. Send in your bids.

Messrs. J. M. Bartels & Co. have our thanks for a copy of their catalogue of U. S. Plate Numbers. This catalogue is invaluable to a plate number collector and is worth only 50c.

We have received the Texas Philatelic Directory from Mr. E. W. Heusinger, of San Antonio, Tex. The Directory contains the names of all known stamp collectors and dealers in the state of Texas. Price 15c.

While in the country a week ago, we met an old gentleman who claimed to have a large number of confederate stamps. We made a trade with him and he was to send the stamps to us by mail. They arrived a day or so ago and we were very much surprised The lot filled two large registration envelopes and contained 14 unused 5c and 10c Confederate stamps. The balance were mostly of the current issue U. S. 1c and 2c. Many of our readers have no doubt had a similar experience.

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*42 1859 5 12 2c
43 10 12 2c
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TO THE MEMBERS OF S. P. A:

I am sorry to note that this department is not receiving the support it should have, and, unless you give me more aid, I shall deem it useless to publish any more lists during the summer months. Hoping that all of the members will send in a few bids on the sale this month, I remain,

Your obedient servant

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE.

Gentlemen and fellow members: On account of several disruptions it will be almost an impossibility for the S. P. A., to go into an annual convention this year.

In consequence of which I hereby order a mail vote to be taken for all the elective officers of the Southern Philatelic Association for the coming term—polls to close the 16th day of Nov. 1896.

Members will please forward nominations for the varrious officers at once.

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BEN RUSSELL, Pres.

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Notice S. P. A.

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Yours fraternally.

CHAS. N. DAVIS.

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